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Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 22-0661 Date: February 2, 2022 **Prime Sponsors:** Sen. Story Bill Status: Senate Trans. & Energy Fiscal Christina Van Winkle | 303-866-6289 Rep. Hooton Analyst: Christina.VanWinkle@state.co.us **Bill Topic:** SEVERE WEATHER NOTIFICATIONS TO UTILITY CUSTOMERS Summary of ☐ State Revenue □ TABOR Refund **Fiscal Impact:** ☐ State Expenditure ☐ State Transfer ☐ Statutory Public Entity The bill requires electric and gas utilities to notify customers when a severe weather event has been forecasted. Beginning in FY 2022-23, the bill may increase local government expenditures. **Appropriation** No appropriation is required. Summary: **Fiscal Note** The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill. Status:

Summary of Legislation

Beginning on July 1, 2022, electric and gas utilities must provide notification to customers within 24 hours of a forecasted severe weather event in a utility's service area. Notifications must include details of the severe weather event, suggestions for energy conservation measures, information on anticipated price increases, and customer service contact information.

Local Government

Beginning in FY 2022-23, municipal utilities may incur costs to develop and operate customer notification systems if these systems are not already in place. There are approximately 32 municipalities with electric and/or gas customers.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

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